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PROGRAM AREA: Claims Processing

SUBJECT: Annual Clotting Factor Furnishing Fee Update

APPLIES TO: Providers

I. SUMMARY OF DOCUMENT: This annual CR announces the update to the Clotting Factor Furnishing Fee. Future updates will be communicated by a Recurring Update Notification.

II. CHANGES IN POLICY INSTRUCTIONS: (If not applicable, indicate N/A)

STATUS: R=REVISED, N=NEW, D=DELETED.

Status	CHAPTER/SECTION/SUBSECTION/TITLE
N	17/80.4.1/Clotting Factor Furnishing Fee

III. CLEARANCES:

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IV. TYPE (Check appropriate boxes for type of guidance)

	Audit Guide
X	Change Request
	HPMS
	Joint Signature Memorandum/Technical Director Letter
	Manual Transmittal/Non-Change Request
	State Medicaid Director Letters
	Other

V. STATUTORY OR REGULATORY AUTHORITY: N/A

Attachment – Business Requirements

Pub. 100-04	Transmittal:	Date:	Change Request: 6277
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SUBJECT: Annual Clotting Factor Furnishing Fee Update

Effective Date: January 1, 2009

Implementation Date: January 5, 2009

I. GENERAL INFORMATION

A. Background:

The Medicare Modernization Act section 303(e)(1) added section 1842(o)(5)(C) of the Social Security Act which requires that a furnishing fee will be paid for items and services associated with clotting factor.

B. Policy:

The Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) includes the clotting factor furnishing fee in the published national payment limits for clotting factor billing codes. When the national payment limit for a clotting factor is not included on the Average Sales Price (ASP) Medicare Part B Drug Pricing File or the Not Otherwise Classified (NOC) Pricing File, the contractor must make payment for the clotting factor as well as make payment for the furnishing fee.

For 2005, the clotting factor furnishing fee of \$0.140 per I.U. is added to the payment limit for a clotting factor when the clotting factor is not included on the ASP or NOC files. For 2006, the clotting factor furnishing fee of \$0.146 per I.U. is added to the payment amount for a clotting factor when the clotting factor is not included on the ASP or NOC files. For 2007, the clotting factor furnishing fee of \$0.152 per I.U. is added to the payment amount for a clotting factor when the clotting factor is not included on the ASP or NOC files. For 2008, the clotting factor furnishing fee of \$0.158 per I.U. is added to the payment amount for a clotting factor when the clotting factor is not included on the ASP or NOC files. For 2009, the clotting factor furnishing fee of \$0.164 per I.U. is added to the payment amount for a clotting factor when the clotting factor is not included on the ASP or NOC files.

II. BUSINESS REQUIREMENTS TABLE

Use “Shall” to denote a mandatory requirement

Number	Requirement	Responsibility (place an “X” in each applicable column)									
		A / B M A C	D M E M A C	F I 	C A R R I E R	R H I	Shared-System Maintainers				OTHER
							F I S S	M C S	V M S	C W F	
6277.1	Contractors shall make separate payment for the clotting factor furnishing fee when separate payment for the clotting factor is allowed and the payment limit for the clotting factor is not included on the ASP or NOC files.	X		X	X	X					
6277.1.1	For dates of service January 1, 2005, through December	X		X	X	X					

Number	Requirement	Responsibility (place an “X” in each applicable column)									
		A / B M A C	D M E M A C	F I	C A R R I E R	R H I	Shared-System Maintainers				OTHER
							F I S S	M C S	V M S	C W F	
	31, 2005, the clotting factor furnishing fee of \$0.140 per I.U. is added to the payment limit for the clotting factor.										
6277.1.2	For dates of service January 1, 2006, through December 31, 2006, the clotting factor furnishing fee of \$0.146 per I.U. is added to the payment limit for the clotting factor.	X		X	X	X					
6277.1.3	For dates of service January 1, 2007, through December 31, 2007, the clotting factor furnishing fee of \$0.152 per I.U. is added to the payment limit for the clotting factor.	X		X	X	X					
6277.1.4	For dates of service January 1, 2008, through December 31, 2008, the clotting factor furnishing fee of \$0.158 per I.U. is added to the payment limit for the clotting factor.	X		X	X	X					
6277.1.5	For dates of service January 1, 2009, through December 31, 2009, the clotting factor furnishing fee of \$0.164 per I.U. is added to the payment limit for the clotting factor.	X		X	X	X					

III. PROVIDER EDUCATION TABLE

Number	Requirement	Responsibility (place an “X” in each applicable column)									
		A / B M A C	D M E M A C	F I	C A R R I E R	R H I	Shared-System Maintainers				OTHER
							F I S S	M C S	V M S	C W F	
6277.2	<p>A provider education article related to this instruction will be available at http://www.cms.hhs.gov/MLNMattersArticles/ shortly after the CR is released. You will receive notification of the article release via the established "MLN Matters" listserv.</p> <p>Contractors shall post this article, or a direct link to this article, on their Web site and include information about it in a listserv message within one week of the availability of the provider education article. In addition, the provider education article shall be included in your next regularly scheduled bulletin. Contractors are free to supplement MLN Matters articles with localized information that would benefit their provider community in billing and administering the Medicare program correctly.</p>	X		X	X	X					

IV. SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Section A: for any recommendations and supporting information associated with listed requirements, use the box below:

Use "Should" to denote a recommendation.

X-Ref Requirement Number	Recommendations or other supporting information:

Section B: For all other recommendations and supporting information, use this space:

V. CONTACTS

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VI. FUNDING

Section A: For *Fiscal Intermediaries (FIs), Carriers, and Regional Home Health Carriers (RHHIs)* use only one of the following statements:

No additional funding will be provided by CMS; contractor activities are to be carried out within their operating budgets.

Section B: For *Medicare Administrative Contractors (MACs)*, use the following statement:

The Medicare Administrative Contractor is hereby advised that this constitutes technical direction as defined in your contract. CMS does not construe this as a change to the MAC Statement of Work. The contractor is not obligated to incur costs in excess of the amounts allotted in your contract unless and until specifically authorized by the Contracting Officer. If the contractor considers anything provided, as described above, to be outside the current scope of work, the contractor shall withhold performance on the part(s) in question and immediately notify the Contracting Officer, in writing or by e-mail, and request formal directions regarding continued performance requirements.

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Beginning January 1, 2005, a clotting factor furnishing fee is separately payable to entities that furnish clotting factor unless the costs associated with furnishing the clotting factor is paid through another payment system.

The clotting factor furnishing fee is updated each calendar year based on the percentage increase in the consumer price index (CPI) for medical care for the 12-month period ending with June of the previous year. The clotting factor furnishing fees applicable for dates of service in each calendar year (CY) are listed below:

*CY 2005 - \$0.140 per I.U.
CY 2006 - \$0.146 per I.U.
CY 2007 - \$0.152 per I.U.
CY 2008 - \$0.158 per I.U.
CY 2009 - \$0.164 per I.U.*

Annual updates to the clotting factor furnishing fee are subsequently communicated by a Recurring Update Notification.

CMS includes this clotting factor furnishing fee in the nationally published payment limit for clotting factor billing codes. When the clotting factor is not included on the Average Sales Price (ASP) Medicare Part B Drug Pricing File or Not Otherwise Classified (NOC) Pricing File, the contractor must make payment for the clotting factor as well as make payment for the furnishing fee.